STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7298

Petition of Vermont Transco, LLC, for authority)
to condemn easement rights in property interests)
of Matthew L. and Lorri F. Jerry, located in)
Vergennes, Vermont, for the purpose of)
constructing the 115 kV transmission line portion)
of the so-called Northwest Reliability Project)

Order entered: 11/30/2007

ORDER CLOSING DOCKET

REPORT

On January 29, 2007, Vermont Transco, LLC, filed a petition to condemn easement rights across land belonging to Matthew L. and Lorri F. Jerry and located in Vergennes, Vermont. On June 1, 2007, I convened a prehearing conference in the matter at which a schedule was established.

On September 19, 2007, Vermont Transco, LLC, filed a Notice of Withdrawal of its petition due to a negotiated resolution of the issues between the parties. Since proceedings had already commenced in this docket, I will treat the Notice as a motion for dismissal pursuant to V.R.C.P. 41 (a)(2). Because I assume that any prejudice to the respondent has been compensated in the negotiated resolution, I conclude that the petition for condemnation may be dismissed and this docket closed.

This decision is not adverse to the interest of any party, so it need not be circulated to the parties pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 811. This report is made to the Public Service Board pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this <u>30th</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2007.

s/John P. Bentley
John P. Bentley, Esq.
Hearing Officer

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED by the Public Service Board of the State of Vermont that:

- 1. The Report of the Hearing Officer is accepted.
- 2. The motion to withdraw the petition to condemn is granted.
- 3. This docket shall be closed.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this <u>30th</u> day of <u>November</u> 2007.

s/James Volz)
)Public Service
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s/David C. Coen) Board
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) of Vermont
s/Iohn D. Burke)

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: November 30, 2007

ATTEST: s/Susan M. Hudson

Clerk of the Board

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Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of the Board within thirty days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this Order, absent further Order by this Board or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Board within ten days of the date of this decision and order.